



## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Hiroaki Yamoto et al. ) Group Art Unit 2825  
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For : METHOD FOR DESIGN )  
VALIDATION OF COMPLEX IC )  
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AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner  
of Patents and Trademarks  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This amendment is submitted in response to the office action from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office mailed August 11, 2005 for the above-identified patent application. Please make the following changes: